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TEXAS PROGRESSIVES SERENE.

No matter how other sections of the country may feel the "progressive" Democracy of Texas has no kick coming. The "progressive" Democrats favored free raw material, and Dr. Wilson says he will write a prescription calling for "free raw material ad libitum." This should be cheering news because it means lower prices for the cotton raised by the Texas farmer, lower prices for his potatoes, lower prices for his cattle, his sheep and wool, and lower prices for the sugar and sugar cane and incidentally sorghum. It means lower prices for Texas lumber and for Texas rice. At the same time Texas will be rewarded, because she will have one "progressive" Democrat in the next Cabinet, and this and free raw material is what Texas demanded. So mote it be.—State Topics.

looks as if he were sorry he didn't run looks as if he were sorry he didn't run over you if you don't jump out of the way the minute he toots his horn.—Houston Post.

Last time we were in Houston we walked out in the center of Main street trying to see the top of the new Rice Hotel, and a fellow sized by us so close that he almost "grazed the skin," without ever tooting his horn at all. They don't pay any mind to strangers there in the least, and don't care whether you see the top of their skyscrapers or not. They even want you to stand on the sidewalk until a policeman, called the traffic man, gives you the "high ball" to cross the street.

Wool, cotton, sugar and meat are the schedules constituting the bone of contention in the tariff reduction fight. Big dividends have been declared through these products, and to retain these dividends is going to precipitate a fight to the death on the part of the manufacturers. If the saving to the people (the object of tariff reduction) can be taken from the dividends, instead of from the prices of the raw material and labor, then the Democrats will be hailed as the saviors of the country and will remain in power for all time.

The railroads should be ashamed of their effort to gather a few more dimes into their tills by boosting the rates on the old yets to the annual reunion. Heretofore they have carried the old heroes for one cent a mile; this year they demand two. What they ought to do would be to carry them free.

To make a long story short, if Congress wants to do the square thing by the country, it should cut the price half in two on everything we have to buy, raise the price of everything we have to sell, and make the millionaires pay all the expenses of the government.

Postmaster General Burleson has shot a thrill of joy into the hearts of the Republican postmasters, by announcing every fellow can hold his job until his time is out, unless convicted of inefficiency. Of course they'll all be efficient or bust a gallus trying.

Keep your eye on Chairman Daly and the streets. There's going to be something doing. He believes in good streets. He thinks about them during the day and dreams of them at night, and when a man becomes thus thoroughly imbued with a subject you are going to hear from him.

A Pennsylvanian ninety years of age deserted his wife of eighty. He was slammed in jail and a few hours later agreed to support his wife if released. Served the old boy right.

Mexican rebels now threaten to occupy the Mexican capital within sixty days. We are confident not a word of protest will be raised in this country.

The new physics and chemical building and laboratory of the Rice Institute of Houston, to be built and completed this year, will cost \$220,000.

Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan is, for the fifth time, a happy grandfather.

The various railroads entering Houston and having offices in that city, are entered on the tax rolls of Harris County for rolling stock alone in the sum of \$14,000,000.

One consolation of not being in the baseball league is that we do not have to chronicle the defeat of the home team.

The action of the officials of the Harvester Company twine mill is a new way to beat a strike—just move the mill to Europe.

If reforming the currency will make it behave itself so a fellow can get hold of it a little easier, we hope Congress will tackle the job at once.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Many a homely woman presides over a happy home.

Even a blind man can go out looking for trouble, and find it, too.

One thing worse than a quitter is the chap who is afraid to begin.

To strike a man for a loan is one thing; a successful touch is another.

After fortune has smiled on a man he can afford to laugh and grow fat.

Besides the people who evade the truth because they are polite there are others.

Don't think because a man has but little to say that he must have acquired the habit from sawing wood.

Get a woman in a reminiscent mood and she will tell you all about the swell admirers she had before she met the commonplace man who became her husband.

Music and the Hair.

Though 11 per cent of all musicians are bald, it appears that this is the result of exposure to the wrong musical vibrations. M. Henri de Parville, the French physicist, is credited with the theory that the well known action of music on the nervous system affects the nutrition of the bodily tissues and thus has an influence on the hair, and it is claimed that observations support this view. The influence, however, is not always the same. All male pianists have a wealth of hair, and it is found that playing the piano and violin have a specially beneficial effect, as do also, in less degree, the violoncello, the harp and the double bass. Players of the flute and clarinet get much less hirsute stimulation, their locks showing a very perceptible thinning by the age of fifty. The harm done is among players of brass instruments, and those who make much use of the cornet and the horn advance rapidly toward baldness, while players of the trombone lose at least 60 per cent of their hair in about five years.—Exchange.

Graphite.

Chemically graphite is a very interesting body and is known as one of the allotropic modifications of carbon. Carbon, like the magicians of old, has the power under proper conditions of assuming various forms called allotropic modifications without losing its individuality. So while its properties and appearance may have changed it is still chemically carbon and nothing but carbon. As ordinarily met with in the form of coke, coal and charcoal, it is called amorphous carbon, as graphite is called graphitic carbon, and in the form of the diamond it is known as crystalline carbon. Coal is therefore very aptly termed "black diamonds," since chemically it is identical the same as the white diamond, though some change which has taken place in that infinitesimal particle called the molecule has caused its value to be rated in dollars per ton instead of dollars per carat.—Exchange.



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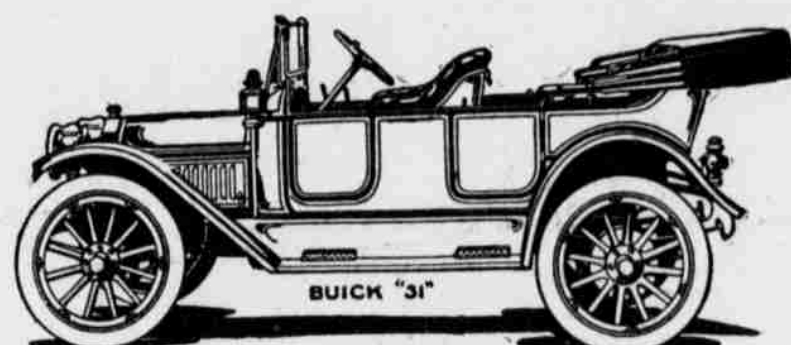
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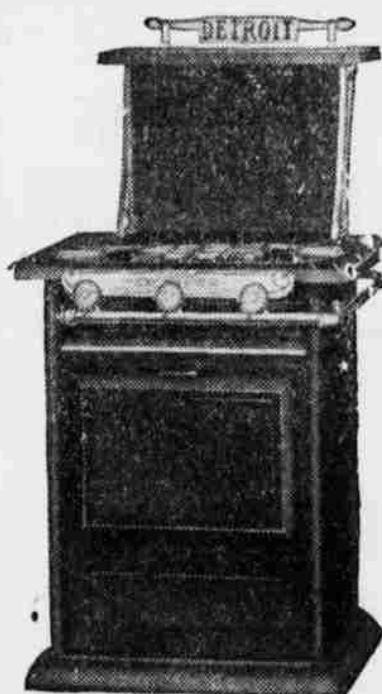
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